1947

Young Philip Williams (the boy that would later become Captain Fusion) is in his class where he is pulled out of his class by the principal and he is with a short and stubby guy in a lab coat. The principal said, “Well, Philip. This is Dr. Waxler. He is a friend of mine. He is here to well… speak with you about some things.” Dr. Waxler takes Philip into the school’s library and he said, “Well, Mr. Philip. What do you plan on doing when you grow up?” Philip said, “I want to do something heroic. I want to be a hero. Like Admiral Lightning..!” He takes out an Admiral Lightning comic. Philip continues, “This is the only thing I can imagine myself becoming.” Dr. Waxler said, “I have read reports about your performance in this school. It doesn’t look like you would be going very far.” Philip said, “What do you mean?” Dr. Waxler said, “Your IQ scores say you are below average and it seems that all the kids in the same class as you have excelled more than you have at all the same subjects. You are not academically gifted and your body is significantly weaker than that of all the other kids. What I am telling you is that you are the perfect kid for me.” Philip said, “The perfect kid? How am I the perfect kid?” Dr. Waxler said, “I invented a new genetic serum that enhances the powers of the body and the mind. It will make you much stronger, smarter, and far more agile. With this, you can become better than any of your classmates and you could become a hero like the ones in those fruity comics you read.” Philip said, “That sounds awesome. Where do I sign up for this?” Dr. Waxler said, “I will meet with your parents and we can see what we can do.”

Philip is at home and Dr. Waxler rings the bell. Philip’s parents answer the door and Dr. Waxler said, “I am Dr. Waxler. I am sure the school’s principal called you telling you I would come to visit. I am interested in your son. I have a new serum I can give him that will ultimately make him a better person. The principal thinks this is a good idea for him.” Dr. Waxler hands them a brochure advertising for his augment serum he wants to give to Philip. Philip’s father said, “You are not going to have him.” Philip’s mother said, “Philip is not for sale. I won’t let you do any of your experiments with my son.” Philip’s father said, “I don’t trust you and I don’t trust that dumb principal he has. I want you to stay away from my son.” Dr. Waxler said, “You don’t understand. The education board approves of my plan and Philip is the best person in the school system to test it on.” Philip’s father said, “If I find you near my son again, your back is going to be broken.” Dr. Waxler is pushed away from the door and it is closed shut in his face. Dr. Waxler gets up and he walks away and said, “Philip is the thing I need to prove my serum really works. He would be a perfect test subject for me. If this works, my career will go beyond anything I could have ever imagined.” Images depict Philip meeting with Dr. Waxler again years later and the augment serum works and he becomes Captain Fusion. He enjoys a glamorous lifestyle before Dr. Waxler frames him for the murder of his sidekick and Dr. Waxler and Captain Fusion is left as a fugitive for decades to come.

Chapter 1

1994

In a dark gloomy scummy section of San Francisco at night, a group of mobsters gather around in a rickety old factory building where they play cards while they banter about things. Mobster #1 said, “I play ya for two and you play me for one.” Mobster #2 draws out some cards and he said, “Isn’t Fat Kony the one that is supposed to be bringing us our dough for this week.” Mobster #2 said, “Fat Kony hasn’t been heard from in days. Some say that mysterious red and black shadow figure got him.” A rugged large mob boss with a greasy hairstyle that is pulled back cracks his knuckles. He said, “Fat Kony was a fool. He took out way more dough than he should have from our allies. He demanded too much and he got what was coming for him. There is no way some shadow figure thing can seriously take me out. The cops are scared of me. Rugged men have taken stands against me and they have not come back alive. If this shadow figure comes for us, I will beat him down and have his spine cracked into a mountain.”

The mobsters continue playing cards while a shadow lurks behind some pipes and some machinery and watches down on the mobsters. Mobster #2 speaks in a scared tone, “What if this shadow guy does come looking for us. He did supposedly take down some platoons and we had connections with them and he could come for us.” The mob boss smashes his fist on the table and he said, “That’s not going to happen. Enough of this rubbish regarding a shadowy figure. We know that is just a bunch of fairy tales they tell to kids to get them scared so they won’t go wandering off in the night.” Mobster #1 said, “But we cannot get too cocky. What if this guy is on to us right now. They always like to strike when you least expect…” The Mob Boss slams his large tree logs for arms onto the table causing everything to quake in the air and he said, “Enough of this crap about this guy. There’s no such thing as heroes like him.”

A mysterious voice comes from the shadows in the factory and it said, “Oh, but there are.” The mobsters look around and they see nothing but dark shadowy mist. Mobster #1 said, “Who said that?” The shadow said, “I did.” The shadow jumps from the ceiling and he lands on the table revealing he is Captain Fusion that is still bald from an incident with Clock King in 1987 and his remaining hair is still upwards in spikes and it has now turned to white. He still wears his iconic black suit with red gloves, a cape that is black on the back and is red in the front and it sports the letters, “CF” on it. The mobsters draw out their guns. Captain Fusion jumps in the air just after Mobsters #2 and #1 fire and their bullets end up hitting each other rendering them useless. The other Mobsters take out their semi automatic weapons and they open fire on Captain Fusion. Captain Fusion runs off into the dark abyss and the bullets end up damaging the piping and the machinery in the factory.

The mobsters begin searching the factory for Captain Fusion. One of them walks with his back to a crevice in the factory. Captain Fusion is in the crevice and he grabs onto the mobster and smacks him in the head. Captain Fusion hides in the shadows and he picks off more of the mobsters. Some of the mobsters fist fight Captain Fusion and he smacks them down and he tricks more of them into shooting some of the others with their guns. Captain Fusion grabs one of the mobsters and drags him into a black abyss and he yells, “We are getting hit like Fat Kony!” The lead Mob Boss walks into the factory and he puts on his brass knuckles. He clenches them together and he said, “Okay. We will settle this mono a mono.

Where are you you fiendish freak? Come out and fight me." Captain Fusion jumps and kicks the Mob Boss in the face. Captain Fusion uppercuts him and he flinches backwards. The Mob Boss strikes a blow at Captain Fusion but he grabs onto the fist and he redirects it into the face of the Mob Boss. The Mob Boss gets punched in the face with the brass knuckle. He yells and he said, "Now it gets personal!" He punches his fists into each other and he spots Captain Fusion on a catwalk. He said, "There you are." He takes out his golden gun and he fires diamond tipped bullets at Captain Fusion. The bullets hit the supports for the catwalk. The catwalk is detached from the wall and Captain Fusion jumps off and he grabs onto a light fixture and hangs from there while the catwalk falls and hits some of the machinery and is sent plummeting to the Mob Boss crushing him.

Captain Fusion rests on the roof of a nearby building and he has a pair of binoculars out and he watches the police come and they arrest all the mobsters. One of the mobsters says as he is being arrested, "I swear. It was Captain Fusion. He is back and he is killing our operation." The cop said, "Yeah, Captain Fusion has been gone for years. You are going to have to come up with a better story than that."

George Ferrier is standing on the sidelines of the arrest of the mobsters and news crews are present and the DDD News cameras begin rolling. George Ferrier said, "Hello, George Ferrier here with DDD News. Gino Pelota (the name of the mob boss and a photo of him appears on the screen) was a notorious mobster in the city of San Francisco. His part of a much larger mob operation has been crushed tonight by an unknown figure. Some footage was dug up from the factory behind me where these mobsters were hosting their operation. Here is some security footage." It shows rough black and white outlines of Captain Fusion fighting off the mobsters. George Ferrier continues, "We can see that a mysterious figure has been fighting off these mob members. He appears to have a strong resemblance to the once iconic superhero, Captain Fusion. (A photo of young Captain Fusion from 1962 appears on the screen. George continues, "That seems unlikely but quite possible. Captain Fusion has been missing for years. He is still a fugitive from his 1971 murder of his sidekick, Dr. Piper and the scientist, Dr. Waxler. He was once the most wanted man in America, but the search for him ended in 1987 when government resources were being pushed too much with such a low rate of success. Maybe this is Captain Fusion attempting to make a comeback. Maybe he will return only to finally be arrested for his crime. I am George Ferrier with DDD News."

Another mysterious figure in a black metallic suit with sharp edges with a sleek design and a soft fluffy cape a king would have with a large helmet with sharp eyes is watching the news report on TV. He stares at the grainy ghostly black and white photo of Captain Fusion taking on the mobsters. The figure said, "Could it really be him? Could he really be back?"

Captain Fusion drives a black Fusion Mobile that blends in with the dark streets near the park at night. Captain Fusion drives into the park and a small box on a tree detects him and it shrinks him down and he ends up very small and he ends up inside the box where there is a secret lair with red liquid flowing in lava lamps that form veins around the lair and there is a large computer with a large screen and a pointy throne room chair in front of it. Captain Fusion gets out of the Fusion Mobile and an old butler greets him. He said, "Ah, Master Fusion. How was your night out?" Captain Fusion said, "Just another routine beat

down of a few mobsters that leech off the city of San Francisco." Arthur the butler said, "I have prepared a meal for you. I figured you can use some rejuvenation and relaxation after that battle. I also have been watching the news. It seems DDD News is taking interest in your comeback." Captain Fusion said, "I never cared for those news networks. All they do is talk crap about things they think are bad and they are fueled by political opinions from elected officials. They are some of the people that got me in this mess I am in right now. If anything, they are the real villains." Arthur said, "Why, yes. I agree sir. It has been a long night. I suggest you get to sleep. I will be dry cleaning your suit as always."

Chapter 2

It is a bright sunny morning in Jason and Mason's house. Jason and Mason wake up and their beds are tilted downwards and they slide down a chute and they end up at their breakfast table. A TV sits on the breakfast table and they watch DDD News on it. They see Captain Fusion on the news fighting the mobsters. Jason said, "Captain Fusion, I think he is back.!" Mason said, "Don't get your hopes up. He is probably just another freak that thought he could dress as a hero and help end this city's crime problem. Our city has been dismal for years. I bet this guy will be gone and long forgotten in a week." Jason said, "That seems more likely but I like to think the real Captain Fusion could be returning. I could get him to sign all those issues I have of his comic series. I would have a thousand questions to ask him if I saw him for real." Mason said, "This superhero stuff is all a bunch of hokey nonsense. There is no way a real superhero could really exist and save our city from crime." Jason said, "Well, we kind of did that two years ago when Dr. Gruzzard wanted to rule the world." Mason said, "Well, that was because we knew who we were going against and we knew his weakness. Not everyone is gifted like us." Jason said, "Yeah. We would make much better heroes than any of those freaks on the news."

Jason and Mason walk to Gruzzard Academy and Mason said, "I heard our academy may be in danger." Jason said, "Is Dr. Gruzzard going to find a way to reclaim it so he can use it in his next major plot to take over the world?" Mason said, "With Dr. Gruzzard being gone, our school is looking like it might undergo some hardships." Jason said, "Hardships?" Mason said, "Our school was supposedly state funded but now the state stopped funding our academy. More professors have been laid off and what doesn't help is that our school now has the reputation for once being run by a criminal mastermind. People are looking down at our school and some parents have withdrawn their kids from it." Jason said, "Gruzzard Academy is way better than any other school I've been to. It would suck if it got shut down. Maybe we need someone to save it and bring it back into another gold age." Mason said, "That would be the day."

Jason and Mason enter the Gruzzard Academy campus where it is in a tall building that looks very high tech as if it belongs in the not too distant future. Jason and Mason walk past science and technology labs where robot arms work on creating new technologies.

The interim academy director sits in his office and he watches Jason and Mason and hundreds of other gifted kids enter the hi-tech campus. The director is in there with assistant directors and other board members. The director said, “Ever since Jason and Mason exposed our founder, Dr. Gruzzard as being a criminal, more parents have withdrawn their kids from this academy. Word of this was all over DDD News and now our reputation has a serious stain on it. We don’t even have any quality professors anymore. Dr. Gruzzard was the best one and now he is in prison and most of our best professors were either his accomplices or they quit because of this academy’s new unfortunate image in the tech world.” One of the assistant directors raises his index finger and he said, “That is why I found us a new Dr. Gruzzard like professor that could take over for him.” The director raises an eyebrow. The assistant director continues, “I viewed this guy’s resume and it looks really spot on. This academy needs to push Dr. Gruzzard into the past and look forwards into the future. That is what we are about are we not?” The door knocks and the assistant director said, “Ah, that must be him.” He opens the door and the mysterious character in the sleek and sharp black suit enters the office. The interim director said, “Who is this?” The mysterious figure speaks. My name is Professor Magmanus. You may just call me, Magmanus. I have been quite fond of your school. I am glad that you break the boundaries that traditional schools have and let these kids achieve what is greater than what most average people achieve in their lifetimes.” The interim director said, “What do you…” Magmanus said, “I am quite a fan of the philosophy this school goes by. I understand it has been failing in recent years because of Dr. Gruzzard and his plot to rule the world, but I think I can usher this school into a new era. I think it could change its name to, Magmanus Academy.” The interim director said, “Well, we don’t really have much other choices so I guess you are hired. You are the new director and lead master of this school now. I mean, this academy is going to be dead soon anyways so what more damage could it possibly do?”

Jason, Mason, and several other students gather in the school’s auditorium theater and it goes dark and a spotlight focuses on the center of the stage. Magmanus rises from the center of the stage. Magmanus said, “Greetings fellow students. I am Magmanus. I am the new director and lead professor of this academy. I have been the foremost authority on science and technology for decades. I have developed advanced energy systems, advanced machines for manufacturing scientific components, and I have studied technological education. I am here to bring this academy into a new gold age of prosperity. You are all going to give me your all so we can deliver the greatest and newest technological advancements the world could know. I’ve studied every single one of you. I know that all of you are powerful enough to create gadgets that can help solve the world’s greatest issues such as world hunger, energy shortages, and crime. If we continue to invent powerful gadgets, we could make the world we will have in the upcoming new millennium look much more welcoming. We would be the faces of the future. We would become great historical figures along the likes of Thomas Edison, Albert Einstein, or even, Lloyd Waxler. Any questions?” Jason raises his hand and he asks, “Why do you wear that suit?” Magmanus looks down and hesitates but then he answers, “The worst villain in the world did this to me. His name was, Captain Fusion. He was a fool that thought he was doing the world a favor by doing his so-called, ‘fighting crime’ but he is nothing but a fraud. He stole Dr. Waxler’s augment serum so he can do this to me. There is nothing great about Captain Fusion. I have been writing to people in the state capitol to append him to the school curriculum so we can all know the truth about what he is.”

Jason and Mason leave the auditorium and Jason said, “What’s with that Magmanus?” Mason said, “Beats me.” Jason said, “There’s something about him that I don’t trust. It seems that he just came out of nowhere. He also bad mouthed Captain Fusion.” Mason said, “Maybe he is jealous of him for something.” Jason said, “It is pretty much a written fact that someone or something that comes out from nowhere is pretty much always a villain.” Mason said, “Those comics you read have really seeped into your brain.”

Chapter 3

Jason and Mason get at their seats at computer work terminals in the inventions classroom. Keith is there and said, “Don’t think you are going to win the favoring from our new professors.” Mason gives Keith a stern look. The new professor enters the class and he is a bald guy with a long thing neck and he has a long sharp pointy nose that looks like a beak. He writes his name on the chalkboard and he said, “Hello. My name is Dr. Vorval. I am your new professor for this inventions class. We will begin this new school year with an inventing project. I have read all the assignments you have completed in the past and you all seem like a cunning group of inventors. Well, most of you seem to be. You are going to invent an entirely new invention based on the guidelines in this book written by our new director, Magmanus. I will expect a great deal of innovative design and elegance in your projects. Remember, Magmanus expects all his students to perform well and deliver an excellent degree of effectiveness. You have three weeks to fully craft these inventions. I suggest you start making them as soon as possible.”

Jason and Mason leave the class at the end of the period and Jason looks at the assignment. Jason said, “I don’t know how I am going to do this. I don’t think I ever invented anything before.” Mason said, “I will show you some pointers. I have a full lab of technology.” Jason said, “Ah, I guess that’s reassuring.” Jason and Mason head off into a crowd of kids at the lunch period.

Jason goes into a room in the academy where he puts on virtual reality equipment where he ends up in a game that is composed of 90’s CGI environments and enemies. Jason uses a fake CGI weapon to kill the enemies and he runs to dodge their attacks. Jason plays against some other kids in the virtual reality simulation. Jason is in the height of the game when he stops because Dr. Vorval is in the game. Dr. Vorval said, “Jason, come with me.” Jason said, “What happened? It is my lunch period.” Dr. Vorval said, “I want you to come with me.”

Jason comes with him and he brings him to a small hidden room with only a desk. Dr. Vorval said, “I want you to write a detailed description of what your invention is going to be. You will not leave this place until it is fully written.” Jason said, “Well, you said the due date for this project was in three weeks from now and you just assigned this today. I was going to have Mason help me with this and…” Dr. Vorval said, “This is not about Mason. I don’t care

about him. I only care about you and you getting a good mark on this assignment. I will lock the door and check up on you in a moment."

Hours go by and Jason is at his desk scribbling down ideas. Dr. Vorval enters the small enclosure and he said, "Now, what have you done?" Jason shows his paper and there are roughed out designs for an orange soda machine. Jason said, "Well, I tried thinking about it, and all I can think of was an orange soda machine." Dr. Vorval face slightly contorts in anger, as he rips up the paper in two and he said, "I want a real invention." Jason said, "Well, what is a real invention?" Dr. Vorval ignores Jason, as if he has given up on him, and walks out of the enclosure." More hours go by and it is nighttime and the janitor comes in to clean the hidden room. The janitor said, "Go home kid. I have to wax the floor." Jason walks home at night and he goes to Mason's lab. Mason said, "Where were you?" Jason said, "Dr. Vorval locked me in a small hidden room for hours." Mason said, "Why would he do such a thing?" Jason said, "He is a jackass that just wants to infringe on our ideas and fun." Mason said, "Well, I do have designs in mind for an invention. I have some ideas for inventions that you can make. You like games. You could build a computer in a cardboard box. I have some outlines for that." Jason said, "I will just go and play a game in my bedroom. That will make me think of something."

The next day, Dr. Vorval is the computer class instructor and Jason and Mason write programs into the computer terminal. Jason struggles to write a program. Jason raises his hand and he said, "Dr. Vorval. I am stuck on this concept and…" Dr. Vorval said, "No you are not. You know how to program, and you will do it without struggle." Jason said, "But I never programmed anything before." Mason said, "Programming can be easy once you understand the fundamentals of it. You see…" Mason starts helping Jason and Dr. Vorval slams his fist on Mason's keyboard, catching him off guard. Dr. Vorval said, "Don't allow him to cheat. That makes you just as bad as a cheater and a fraud. You should be more like Keith. He always gets his projects done way ahead of time and he never offers his help and support to others. In fact, I don't think the rules we have at this academy are strict enough. Maybe Magmanus can give us some stricter rules to keep this place running more orderly."

Jason and Mason are at Mason's lab where they work on their projects. Mason builds a machine that has a laser beam that reads DNA from a tissue sample and produces a duplicate of it. Jason looks at the invention in action and Jason said, "What is the use of this? All it does is clone DNA?" Mason said, "This invention can eventually be used to create duplicates of different types of foods and drinks. We can solve world hunger with something like this. This is a revolutionary invention that can ultimately result in our world finally being free of food shortages." Jason said, "Yep. I still have my arcade cabinet to work on." Jason rolls out a cardboard box and he reads instructions and he places different circuit boards into different parts of the box. Jason finds a glass screen in Mason's lab and he uses it as the screen for his cabinet. Jason places a cartridge into the computer he set up that resembles an arcade machine, and he turns it on and it works. Jason said, "This looks just like the cabinets they have at the arcade. Now we don't have to go all the way to the arcade just to play some games. These are of course from my game cartridges so they would be inferior to the actual arcade games, but this is the closest we will ever get to getting an arcade experience outside of the arcade."

Chapter 4

Jason and Mason are at the auditorium at the Gruzzard Academy and they watch Magmanus on stage. Magmanus said, “It has come to my attention that discipline produces better results and better results is the one thing that this academy needs now more than ever. I have these new state of the art security systems that spy and monitor on every student at every given time. When an infraction of academy policies occur, these security guards will be dispatched to deal with the altercation.” Some buff and rugged looking security guards show up on stage in sharp heavy metal armor and they have sharp knuckles. Magmanus said, “If any student at this academy goes against any of the policies, they will answer to these troops, and discuss on future improvement. Do I make myself clear?” Jason gets suspicious and looks annoyed, while Mason also looks slightly tense but respects the rules.

Jason and Mason go to their inventions class where they present what they invented to Dr. Vorval. Keith presents his invention and it is a new network router. Keith said, “This new router allows for several computers to be connected to it at once and it allows for them to transmit and receive vast amounts of megabytes at any given second. Transmitting data from one computer terminal to another will now be more efficient.” Everyone claps for Keith and Jason and Mason reluctantly clap for Keith. Dr. Vorval said, “Jason is next.” Jason presents his cabinet and he turns it on and it doesn’t work. Jason is surprised. Jason said, “What is wrong with this thing? It was working when I tested it.” Dr. Vorval said, “Clearly you did not complete your project.” Jason said, “This thing is supposed to be one of those arcade cabinets that you would see at an arcade and it would…” Dr. Vorval said dismissively and with spite, “I have no idea what you are talking about. I have never heard of these things before so clearly they must not exist. This is something that surely cannot offer any kind of benefit to our society.”

Mason goes up with his invention and he said, “This is an invention that can replicate matter. This device can produce duplicates of food and can be used to end world hunger.” Mason takes an apple and he puts it up to the laser beam and it glows red and it explodes and causes a fire. Mason said, “What happened? This is not what I tested it as.” The fire is put out by the sprinkler systems and Dr. Vorval gives an angered look to Jason and Mason. Dr. Vorval exclaimed, “I have had enough of you twin boys. Do you think this class is some kind of joke? You are going away for a long time.”

Dr. Vorval grabs onto Jason and Mason and has them locked in a detention room that looks a lot more like a dusty and dirty prison cell. Mason said, “This is completely nonsensical. We know our inventions worked well. We tested them.-! They must have been sabotaged somehow.” Jason said, “Yeah. Dr. Vorval or one of these new freaks we have at this school must have done it. Haven’t you noticed this academy has been going “downhill” lately? Not like the school itself is failing, but the staff is acting more and more weird. First it is the new director and now we have a new cast of teachers. I am starting to long for the days when Dr. Gruzzard ran this academy.” Mason said, “I may have to say this, but Dr. Gruzzard may have been an evil mastermind, but at least he knew how to treat his fellow peers and students with decency.”

Some rich business men are in an alleyway in San Francisco at night and they meet up with a group of mobsters. The rich business man said, “I have your funding. Now you will do

me my favor of protecting my new project which will be a safe haven for all of your boys. There is no way that mysterious figure will ever bust us down if we have a heavily fortified fortress." The rich guy gives the mobsters a briefcase filled with hundred dollar bills. The mobsters look through the money and one of them said, "It checks out. It is a pleasure doing business with you. Our operation will continue to grow strong." Captain Fusion's voice is heard by all of them, "I don't think it will."

Captain Fusion jumps and lands in the middle of all the mobsters. They pull out their guns and they open fire on him. Captain Fusion dodges all the bullets and he smacks down one of the mobsters and he grabs onto his body and throws him into the other mobsters. The rich business men attempt to run away into a gold plated limo. Captain Fusion fires a harpoon gun at the limo and it misses and the limo speeds away. Captain Fusion runs to the street and he whistles and his Fusion Mobile shows up and he jumps inside and he activates its turbo boosters and speeds and chases after the limo.

Captain Fusion closely follows the limo and someone in the limo rolls down a window and uses a semi automatic weapon to fire at the Fusion Mobile. The bullets just deflect off the Fusion Mobile and they only cause light scuffs which disappear in a matter of seconds. Captain Fusion fires a homing device and it connects to the bumper of the limo. Captain Fusion slows down and turns down a different street and he lets the limo drive away. The rich guy is in the limo and he asks his driver, "Is that guy still on our tail?" The limo driver said, "He appears to have given up. It looks as if he realizes we spotted him." The rich guy said, "Good. It looks like we are in the safe." He cracks open a bottle of champagne and he pours it into a glass and gulps it down.

Captain Fusion parks in a hidden driveway and looks at the computer in the Fusion Mobile. It shows a map of San Francisco and it shows where the limo is heading to. It shows it is being parked in another alleyway adjacent to some kind of hidden factory. Captain Fusion sends the Fusion Mobile zipping to that factory.

Captain Fusion is on the roof of the factory and he spots a window near the roof. Captain Fusion breaks the window and he jumps in and he is on a catwalk far above the operations. Captain Fusion sees factory workers there and it looks like they are assembling highly sophisticated technology parts for an unknown project. Captain Fusion finds the energy source for the factory and he pulls the plug on it and all the equipment stops working. Captain Fusion is spotted by mobsters in the factory. One of them said, "There he is! It's the intruder!" They open fire on him and he runs and disappears behind some equipment. The mobsters look behind that equipment and they see there is no one there. The mobster said, "Where is he? He couldn't have disappeared just like that." Captain Fusion is in a narrow crevice between two machines. Captain Fusion takes out his harpoon gun and he fires it at one of the mobsters and he trips him and makes his head get smacked on a heavy metal machine. The mobsters give their attention to the injured mobster but then they look around and one of them said, "Where is he?" Captain Fusion zips behind something else and he grabs onto a heavy metal toolbox and he throws it into another one of the mobsters. Captain Fusion jumps on the side of a machine and he kicks a mobster in the head and he jumps and pounds on another one. The rich guy comes out with brass knuckles on his fingers and he said, "Who is taking down my boys? The mob may be scared of this enigmatic fool but I am not. Show yourself!" The rich guy rips through all the equipment and machines and Captain Fusion is behind him. Captain Fusion upper cuts the rich man but it does nothing. The rich

man punches Captain Fusion in the head and he is left flinching backwards. The rich guy said, “So you are the little punk that has been making all these attacks against my operation. This will be the last place you will strike.” Captain Fusion fires his harpoon gun at a large machine with a crane and he yanks it and the crane hits the rich guy and he grabs onto Captain Fusion. They both land on a convert belt and the rich guy activates the belt. It goes at a fast speed and the edge of the belt has spinning cylinders with spikes on them. Captain Fusion runs on the belt while he dodges the rich guy’s attacks. Captain Fusion spots the materials on the belt and he grabs several of them and he throws them into the cylinders and they get overloaded and the entire convert machine sparks and malfunctions. The entire structure it is on collapses and Captain Fusion jumps off it and the rich guy plummets to the ground and debris rains on top of him. Police are called to the factory and Captain Fusion hides in the shadows near the window which reveals an obscure alleyway.

Magmanus goes to the cell and he stands in front of Jason and Mason. He said, “Jason and Mason. You are supposed to be two of the most gifted kids in this school and yet you do something like this? If I let you out into society, you two would likely terrorize it by building more machines that will explode and destroy sections of the school! Do you realize how much in property damage you have caused? It is best you stay here for the time being. I will call your parents and tell them about your delinquent acts.” Jason snaps and he grabs onto Magmanus with a strong grip and Jason said, “All you have done is push us around! You keeping us here is insane and wrong! I mean this place looks like a prison cell for crying out loud, who even keeps students in these?” Jason pulls Magmanus close to the bars and Mason spots a fusion cutter on him. Mason grabs the fusion cutter and Mason turns around and he sees a small hole blocked by metal bars behind them and where the ceiling is. Mason cuts the bars open and Jason sees what Mason has done. Jason and Mason jump out from the hole and they are outside.

It is nighttime and Jason and Mason can barely see anything. They run through a grassy field in the black abyss. They hear security systems being activated and laser pointers start to focus on them. The scary and fierce security units move to the scene so quickly, that it seems like they are spawned, and they start chasing after Jason and Mason. Jason and Mason run into civilization where they run through the city streets and they both yell for help. People walk by and ignore Jason and Mason and the security units are running up to them. Mason said, “Maybe we can lose them if we split up and cut corners in this alleyway.” Jason and Mason run into the alleyway and they run down a narrow path and it ends at a dead end. Jason said, “This was some idea.” The guards surround them and Dr. Vorval is with the guards. Dr. Vorval said, “You have got on all of our nerves for the last time. It is time now I give you boys what you really deserve.” Dr. Vorval takes out a high powered taser with sparks flying off it. He is about to use it on Jason and Mason and they start screaming in pain and fear. Captain Fusion is in one of the alleyway buildings (which was the factory he dismantled) and he hears Jason and Mason screaming and he goes to the window and he sees them being tormented and attacked by Dr. Vorval and the security units.

Dr. Vorval watches Jason and Mason getting zapped and they shriek in pain and Dr. Vorval gives a look that says he is enjoying what he is watching. Dr. Vorval gets kicked in the head and he stops tasering Jason and Mason and he said, “What gives?” His taser gets kicked out of his hands and it gets stepped on and it is broken. They look and they see it is Captain Fusion. Dr. Vorval said, “Could it be. Get him!” The security units go to fight Captain Fusion. He bashes them in the heads and he dodges their attacks and he jumps and smacks

them in their backs. Dr. Vorval said, “You have no business with us.” Captain Fusion said, “Anyone that is in danger is my concern. It looks like you were inflicting serious pain and suffering on these kids. What was that for?” Dr. Vorval said, “Well…” he reaches and pulls out a weapon. Captain Fusion jumps out of the way and he smashes Dr. Vorval’s head into the hard brick wall and his skull gets cracked and a fluid breaking sound is heard. Someone on the sidelines watches this and he has a camera, and he takes a picture of it. Captain Fusion is blinded by the flash and he darts a look at the photographer. Captain Fusion takes out his harpoon gun and he fires it at the photographer, and it connects to his camera, and he sends it flying for his fist and he smashes it. The photographer runs away in fear. Captain Fusion goes to Jason and Mason and he said, “Are you boys alright? Who were those people chasing after you?” Jason said, “Those are people from our school. Our school used to be great but now this fool named, Magmanus took it over and now he makes us work like slaves and he rewards us by locking us up like we are criminals or something.” Mason said, “We made inventions for a project for that guy you cracked the skull of, and they were clearly tampered with. I think the people running our academy have something against us.” Captain Fusion said, “Let me take you home. These streets can be very dangerous and filled with crime at night.” Captain Fusion shows Jason and Mason to the Fusion Mobile.

Jason and Mason ride in the Fusion Mobile and they are in awe of it. Jason said, “You are the real Captain Fusion?” Captain Fusion proudly said, “I am.” Jason happily said, “I’ve been a fan of you for years. I loved reading your comics and all those insane villains you faced off with over the years. This seems too good to be real.” Captain Fusion said, “Well, it is real. May I ask why any of those school people would have something against you kids?” Mason said, “Well, we are considered to be gifted kids. We go to Gruzzard Academy. It is a school for technologically gifted kids. Jason is not exactly gifted but the founder of the academy let Jason come to the school because he admitted me because he was impressed with me. He saw potential with me and he made me one of his top students. He made me work on all kinds of technologies and inventions. What I didn’t know was that he was really using me to help him build an invasion force to take over the world. He nearly took over the world two years ago with my technology.” Jason said, “But we managed to fight back and save the world. We became honored heroes because of that.” Mason said, “Dr. Gruzzard got sent to justice for his infamous crime and his academy has been going downhill ever since. It recently went under a change of management and now this new strange guy that wears a robotic looking suit runs the place. He calls himself Magmanus. All these new draconian changes have come into effect and I don’t know how much more of it we can take.” Captain Fusion said, “It sounds like this Magmanus might have something against you. Maybe he sees you as a threat to a grander plot he may have.” Mason said, “Maybe he wants my lab.” Captain Fusion said, “You have a lab?”

Captain Fusion is in Mason’s lab and he slowly spins around as he is mesmerized by what he sees. Captain Fusion said, “This lab is remarkable.” Mason said, “All of my greatest inventions are in this lab. I have been inventing things for years.” Jason grew puzzled and said, “I have a lot to ask you, Captain Fusion. Where have you been for the last two decades? No one seems to know anything about what you have done in that time.” Captain Fusion said, “I have been on the run. I was framed for the murder of my sidekick, Dr. Piper and the mad scientist that gave me my superpowers, Dr. Waxler. Dr. Waxler was jealous that I gained fortune and fame from his invention. He would stalk me for years and try to get all kinds of villains to defeat me. It finally ended for him in 1971 when he sacrificed his life to make me look like a murderer. I have been on the FBI’s most wanted list for years after that.

I would run from motel to motel under different aliases and I would hide from the evil forces of Clock King that were always on the lookout for me." Jason said, "Clock King was the one looking for you?" Captain Fusion said, "The president ordered Clock King to be the main commander of the efforts to find me and have me apprehended. It was really just a scheme from him to get the US government to build him an ultimate battle station that he can use to destroy Washington DC, murder the president and end up ruling the world. I managed to thwart his plan by infiltrating his flying battleship weapon and I destroyed it. It turned into several streaks of bright burning debris that went over America and all the way to San Francisco. It was a memorable experience for everyone watching it and no one knew it was me." Jason gets a flashback to being a kid in 1987 and he watches the streaks in the sky. Jason said, "I remember that. I just stood there knowing I was watching something awesome but had no idea what it was. It was you that did that?" Captain Fusion said, "It sure was." Jason said, "Whoa. You are even more cooler than I thought." Mason said, "We know something is up with our school and we need you to help us with our fight against Magmanus." Captain Fusion said, "That I can do. Let me show you something just as intriguing as this lab."

Dr. Vorval is brought to the San Francisco hospital where he is bandaged up. Magmanus comes to visit him and he said, "Who did this to you? Was it Jason and Mason?" Dr. Vorval said, "Hebegebende ben nde nneed ben no…" The doctor said, "He needs to rest. He suffered a serious concussion. We are not sure if he will ever return to his normal state again." Magmanus said, "Did anyone else there say anything? Were there any other witnesses?" The doctor said, "I don't know."

Magmanus leaves that hospital room and he sees the photographer in the hall and he said, "Do you know this guy that got a concussion from that superhero?" Magmanus grabs onto the shoulders of the photographer and he said, "You saw what happened? Who did this?" The photographer said, "Yeah. He was with these kids and some old guy that was bald with spiky white hair on the sides of his head in a black suit with a red and black cape showed up and beat the crap out of the guy. He also beat up these guards that were in heavy metal suits. This was no ordinary man that did this. He left with the kids. I don't know if they were his kids or not. I think he may have wanted the kids for something. I tried to get a picture but he destroyed my camera. I am a reporter for a local newspaper." Magmanus said, "I knew it. Captain Fusion is back… Wait… You said you worked for a newspaper agency?" The report said, "Yes." Magmanus said, "We need to get this story published and sent to all the news agencies in the city. The city deserves to know that a black suited menace is hanging around the streets at night and causing severe bodily injuries to our fair fellow citizens."

Captain Fusion drives Jason and Mason in the Fusion Mobile into the park and Jason said, "Why are we driving off into the park?" Captain Fusion said, "This is where my lair is." Mason said, "Aren't you worried about it becoming compromised?" Captain Fusion said, "They are going to find me sooner or later. All I need are some trusted allies and something tells me that you qualify as them." Captain Fusion spots a tree with a box on it and he rams into it. Jason and Mason's eyes go big and sparks fly around the Fusion Mobile and it shrinks and they are brought into the lair. Captain Fusion said, "Welcome to my lair." Jason said, "This is your lair? I never would have guessed that the greatest superhero of all time had his lair hidden in a box on a tree." Captain Fusion said, "Anything is possible in the world of science and technology. But I guess you already knew that." Jason and Mason walk around the lair and they see tubes with red liquids flowing through them. Mason sees the Fusion

Computer and its large screen showing all kinds of specs. Mason said, “This computer looks large and powerful.” Captain Fusion said, “I built it myself. It is probably the most powerful computer in the world.” Arthur walks in the section and he said, “Oh. I didn’t know you had guests.” Jason said, “I remember you. You are Arthur the butler. I remember you from the comics.” Arthur said, “I don’t mean to brag but… yes, I was in the comics. May I get you boys anything?” Jason said, “Hmmm. Get me an orange soda.”

Captain Fusion gives Jason and Mason a tour of his lair and he shows them all kinds of gadgets and inventions he has. Mason said, “This lair is what my lab wants to be. These gadgets are so high tech. This is beyond my wildest dreams.” Captain Fusion said, “Your lab might not be safe anymore. Since you are registered students of the school you go to, it is likely they know your address and they know about where you live. I suggest you store your more important gadgets at my lair. Magmanus is less likely to find them at this place.”

Magmanus enters a backroom at the Gruzzard Academy and he sees Keith there looking at the inventions that Jason and Mason built for their projects. Magmanus said, “I hope you didn’t tamper with Jason and Mason’s inventions too much.” Keith said, “I only tampered with them enough so they won’t work as intended. All their insides are still intact. They are all yours.” Magmanus said, “Good. Jason’s invention was kind of pointless and the only purpose it could possibly serve is to cause “brainrot”. Mason’s invention seems more promising. If it were upgraded, it could theoretically be used to make clones of people. I think I may have a sample of Captain Fusion’s DNA from his prime years in my archives somewhere.”

Jason and Mason disguise Captain Fusion in a trench coat and they bring him to the local arcade. Captain Fusion looks at all the arcade machines everywhere. Jason brings Captain Fusion to a game that he puts coins into and plays. It is a game that involves shooting colored balls into other colored balls and matching them up and having them explode and a score is accumulated. Jason said, “This is a new game that I play a lot. It is pretty basic and fun once you learn the secrets to it.” Captain Fusion said, “This game is like those arcade games I helped make for Natari back in the 70’s and 80’s. I worked with Nolan Bushnell and helped him form that company. That company is responsible for all these games that you enjoy.” Jason said, “You seem to find your way into everything.”

After the arcade, they take Captain Fusion to a montage of activities from skateboarding, to driving go-karts, to even going to comic book stores. Jason looks through the stashes of comics and Captain Fusion looks through some of them. He sees how superheroes in comics are depicted like in 1994. He said, “These guys are still around and they seem to still be relevant. It is no surprise that they are not drawn much bulkier and more burly.” Captain Fusion spots the bargain comics section and he finds some of his comics there that are being sold for 25 cents a piece. Captain Fusion said, “All my old battles are here.” Jason said, “That is the section where they keep the bargain comics which are the ones no one wants. Captain Fusion finds comics that are filled with anti Captain Fusion propaganda that depict him as being a criminal and a threat to society. Captain Fusion has a fierce grip on the comic and he looks through all the panels of Captain Fusion bashing. It shows kids destroying merchandise of him and Captain Fusion action figures are being used as test dummies by the army. It also encourages kids to call 911 if you think you see him somewhere. Captain Fusion goes through the pages and he said, “Who wrote this comic,

Clock King?" Captain Fusion goes to the back where it says that Clock King is the author of the comic.

Chapter 5

Magmanus is in his office and he goes through police records where he looks up information on recent crime trends. Magmanus is with his fellow accomplices and he said, "It says that large platoons of mobsters have been beaten down in San Francisco lately by a mysterious figure. There have been other reports of this mysterious figure and all he has ever seem to have done is take down these mobsters. It is as if he is targeting mobsters and the people that work for me." A TV is on in his office showing DDD News. George Ferrier is on the screen and he said, "Hello, George Ferrier here for DDD News. The mysterious figure that has been spotted in San Francisco has been spotted once again. He was seen taking down a factory that was allegedly being used by the mob. It was actually under the ownership of Chip Cinadol who is one of the richest men in San Francisco." Chip is shown in a hospital bed and he said, "I saw him with my own eyes. He is Captain Fusion. He is the criminal behind these heinous acts. Someone better stop him before he murders any more innocents." George Ferrier said, "A photographer from a local newspaper also claims he spotted this mysterious character which could safely now be confirmed as, Captain Fusion in an alleyway right outside Chip's factory and he was seen assaulting a teacher from the Gruzzard Academy. This teacher is now in the San Francisco hospital recovering from his brain injuries." Magamanus said, "I think I know what I can do about this."

Magmanus dresses in his soft and furry cape that looks like something a king would wear and he dresses in luxurious looking armor. He walks around a street in San Francisco and he finds a shady looking business. He enters the business and he sees bootlegged products being sold in a dusty and poorly maintained building. Magmanus goes to the clerk at the front counter and he said, "I know your secret. You have the mob here. Let me see them. I have a proposal." Magmanus is led into a backroom where he sees mobsters playing billiards while watching TV and they have arcade machines and pinball machines running there too. Magmanus said, "Which one of you is the boss?" A large rugged mobster cracks his knuckles and he said, "I'm the boss." Magmanus said, "I know what you are after. You are after the same thing I am after. We both want Captain Fusion dead." The mob boss grabs onto Magmanus and tightly grips his metallic body. The mob boss said, "What's he mean to you?" Magmanus said, "He took everything from me. It is only fair that I bust him for the crimes he has committed. I think we can collaborate and destroy this menace so your operations can continue to run." The mobsters give mean looks to Magmanus and they load their weapons. The mob boss said, "Do you realize how many other costumed freaks came to us with the same proposal? They were either working for the cops or for some vigilante force that resulted in more of my men getting killed or imprisoned with lifetime sentences. We are nearly extinct because of you crooks. Let's waste him." They open fire on Magmanus but their bullets don't do anything to him but deflect off his metallic suit. Magmanus jumps and smacks the mob boss' head into his body and he grabs the mob boss and swings him around and knocks down all the remaining mobsters in the place. Magmanus finds their contact book and he steals it.

Magmanus travels around San Francisco and he finds mob hangouts and he busts them down and be beats up all the mobsters. Magmanus hits the jackpot and he finds a mob records room that reveals plans to convert a high tech building into a safe haven for all the mobsters of the city. Magmanus looks at what it has to offer and he said, “Oh boy. This is better than I ever could have imagined.”

DDD News comes on the screen and George Ferrier said, “I am George Ferrier here for DDD News. We have a special report. San Francisco is a city that has been plagued by crime mostly coming from mobsters for the last several years. In recent years, many of these mobsters have been taken down by someone believed to have been Captain Fusion but we have finally put that rumor to rest. We have found the real hero behind these mob take downs and he is here with us right now. Here is Magmanus.” Magmanus is in the DDD News studio with George. George continues, “Tell me, Magmanus. What has inspired you to get into crime fighting? What is your motif?” Magmanus said, “For years I have been a victim of injustice and after having everything stolen from me, I thought it is about time I fight back. It is time I give the fair citizens of San Francisco the justice they deserve that the police nor any other superhero could possibly give to the city. Thanks to my efforts, the mob of San Francisco is extinct and their operations have been crippled.” George said, “That’s excellent. It looks like we have the identity of the mysterious figure now. It is our very own Magmanus. So Magmanus, tell me more about what you plan on doing for the city.” Magmanus said, “I recently inherited a large technologically advanced building. I am also the lead director of the Gruzzard Academy. I am going to integrate this new building and have it incorporated in the projects I will be assigning to the students at Gruzzard Academy. We have a new brighter future ahead for us.” George said, “This is great. This is all very great. Now we will…” The screen fades into static and a younger looking Captain Fusion with a full head of brown hair materializes onto the screen. He said, “I am Captain Fusion. I have returned from obscurity and I am back to punish the people of San Francisco. All you people do is take your greatest heroes and label them as criminals. That is what you have done to me and I will not stand by this anymore. For over two decades now I have lived in the shadows of this city running away from authorities and you civilians that have been brainwashed into thinking I am bad. I am not. I have been slacking off on this for far too long now. It is time I finally fight back against San Francisco. Beware. I may be on to you.” The signal goes fuzzy again and it fades back into the DDD News room. George said, “What was that?” Magmanus said, “That was Captain Fusion. He must be back.” George said, “Our city would be in a state of emergency right now but we don’t have to go into one of those thanks to our new hero, Magmanus.” Magmanus said, “You bet and just remember, I will always be around to vanquish the forces of evil. This Captain Fusion thinks he will rule the city and have it grasped into a grip of terror. That is not going to happen. I challenge this Captain Fusion. We will fight and see who really is the better one.” George said, “Well, I guess we all know who to bet on.”

Jason, Mason, and the real Captain Fusion are in Mason’s lab and they are watching the insanity on DDD News. Jason said, “What insanity.! It looks like there is another Captain Fusion in the city.” Captain Fusion gives the screen a sharp look and he said, “There is something off about that Captain Fusion. He looks much younger. It is as if the mastermind behind this used a dated reference.” Jason said, “It looks like we are going to be helping Magmanus build his new, ‘project.’” Captain Fusion said, “If you are going to be working with Magmanus, I want you to play along with what he wants and take note of what he asks. Watch his every move and keep an eye out for his suspicious acts. Report everything to me.

This may be how we stop this guy. There could only be one reason why he would want such a technologically advanced building. It is likely part of his plot. We still don't know what his plot is but we know something is not right. I am starting to think that I might be the one he wants." Mason said, "We will keep an eye on him." Captain Fusion gives Jason and Mason handheld scanners that are black and red and have the "CF" logo on them. Captain Fusion said, "These are some handheld scanners. You can use them to take photos of things as well as scan documents such as blueprints. I want you to bring everything you collect to me." Jason said, "It is an honor to be serving for one of the greats."

Chapter 6

Jason and Mason arrive at Gruzzard Academy and they keep a low profile and they go to their class. It is their technology class and they see that Magmanus is now the teacher for the class. Magmanus said, "Well, as you all know too well, Dr. Vorval got attacked by that mysterious criminal and now he cannot say anything nor do any of his real cognitive functions work. I will be the teacher of this class for the remainder of this course. All of you will need to understand what I expect for the new project we are going to be constructing. It will be a highly advanced building beyond anything that was imaginable before. I need a team of the most advanced people in the world to build this project." Magmanus rolls out some blueprints and he shows them to the kids in the class. It reveals the tall building and it reveals more functions that it has. Jason said, "This building has rocket boosters in the base of the building." Mason said, "Dr. Gruzzard's fortress had that very same thing." Magmanus said, "Well, Dr. Gruzzard always built the best designs and if designs are the best, why not use them."

Jason and Mason along with several other kids are sent to the new building where they work on the various systems that the building has to offer. Jason and Mason take note of what is being constructed in the building while Keith assumes the role of a supervisor. Jason and Mason scan things with the Fusion scanners they were given. Jason and Mason also take note of where Magmanus' office is and that he keeps it locked and it is guarded by those security thugs.

Jason and Mason bring their scanners to Captain Fusion's lair. Captain Fusion connects the scanners to the Fusion Computer and he views the photos that were shot with them. Captain Fusion said, "Yes. This reveals a great deal of the designs for the building. It seems strange that a building like this would have rocket boosters at the bottom of it." Mason said, "We think that Magmanus has a plan to send this building into the sky like what Dr. Gruzzard did with his building two years ago." Captain Fusion said, "Why would he want to do that?" Jason said, "Wait, maybe It is to get away from all the mayhem and carnage that he plans on causing in the streets." Captain Fusion looks over the photos and he sees the heavily guarded office. Captain Fusion said, "I bet he is keeping his most precious details in that office. Based on these schematics you obtained, I might be able to devise a plan to

break into that office and get those files from him. It is going to involve the two of you sneaking into that building."

Jason and Mason are outside the new building at night and they dress in black. They use harpoon guns and they use them to climb the side of the building and they arrive at the floor the office is on. The windows are locked tight. Jason and Mason use Captain Fusion's window cutters to cut open the window and they enter the building and they close the window piece in place. They spot a vent and they use their harpoon guns to yank the ceiling vent cover off and they use their harpoon guns to zip into the vent and they climb through it. They find Magmanus' office and they use a fusion cutter to cut off the vent cover. Jason grabs onto the vent and he uses the rope from the harpoon gun and he sends it into the office. Mason zips down the rope and he is finds Magmanus' filing cabinet. Mason tries to open it and it does not open and he sees it is locked. Mason takes a lock breaking tool and he places it into the lock and it breaks the lock and the files are accessible. Mason goes through all the files and he scans all of them using the Fusion Scanner. Mason quietly says, "Success." Mason hears the knob for the door turning and he grabs onto the rope. Jason retracts Mason but the door bursts open and some security thugs spot Jason and Mason. They grab onto Mason and Jason attempts to tug Mason back but the thug is way too powerful for Jason. He yanks Jason down and the vent breaks out from the ceiling too and he has a grip on Jason and Mason. The thug said, "You little twerps didn't think you could get past me, did you?" Mason presses a button on him and it activates his boxing glove on a coil and he uses it to punch out the guard. Jason and Mason head back for the vent but they see it is broken from the thug tugging at it. Jason and Mason run back for the window they entered but a group of thugs block it. Jason and Mason turn and run down a different hall and they try to find a different vent. Jason said, "You would think a building like this would have more than one vent." Mason said, "I guess not."

More security thugs come running for Jason and Mason. Jason and Mason stand in front of a window that is at the front of the building. Mason punches down the window and shatters it and Jason and Mason take out harpoon guns and they attach them to the window sill and they use them to zip down to the ground. The thugs find where their harpoons are stuck and they cut them leaving Jason and Mason plummeting at the front of the building. Jason and Mason take out suction cups and they manage to make them stick to the side of the building. Jason and Mason climb down the rest of the way and they meet Captain Fusion with the Fusion Mobile on the ground.

Captain Fusion takes them to the Fusion Lair and they look at the scans Mason took. Captain Fusion said, "This looks worse than I thought. There are plans to construct a giant techno bomb that can destroy the entire city." Jason said, "Why would he want to destroy the city?" Captain Fusion said, "This Magmanus must have some kind of grudge against the people of San Francisco. It also looks like the main power source is coming from a power plant several blocks away in an unmarked building." Jason is looking at the TV in the Fusion Lair and said, "Hey look. Magmanus is on TV." Mason and Captain Fusion look at the screen and it shows DDD News crews filming the damage that was caused at Magmanus' building and Magmanus is shown on the screen. He said, "This is why I am building this place. The crime problem in this city is getting worse all the time. I think it is about time someone does something." Jason said, "He is just butthurt that someone outsmarted him on his own ground.

Surely there must be something better on." Jason grabs the remote and does some channel surfing and he finds that Magmanus has his own TV channel. Jason said, "Magmanus channel?" They watch Magmanus on his own channel where he airs reality shows about him busting down criminals all over San Francisco. It even has some segments where he is depicted as having his own lair with his own Magmanus Mobile and he uses high tech technologies to hunt down criminals. The show ends and an animated show comes up and it has a crudely drawn version of Captain Fusion where he is depicted as being a ruthless criminal that terrorizes San Francisco and Magmanus comes and fights him off in a heroic manner. Jason said, "This looks like anti Captain Fusion propaganda." Captain Fusion said, "This looks like more of his attempts to get the public to hate me again."

Chapter 7

A local family run jewelry store is broken into by a group of thieves and they smash the display cases and they load all the jewels and gold into their sacks. They are about to run out of the store and Magmanus is standing at the door blocking it and they collide with Magmanus and they fall back. Magmanus said, "You thieves are a prime example of what is wrong with this city." Magmanus grabs onto the thieves and he smacks their heads into each other and he knees one of them and he smacks down more of them. He brings the stolen jewels back to the counter. The couple running the store look relieved and woman of the couple said, "Thank you, Magmanus."

While this is going on, other jewelry stores in San Francisco are being robbed by thieves that look just like the ones that Magmanus just took down. These thieves successfully steal loads of jewels and they run out of the smashed up stores and they run down the city streets and they find a manhole and they open it and jump into the sewer. They are brought to a short guy that looks like a rat with an over sized brain that lives in a lair complete with a TV and computers. He looks at the jewels and gold that was stolen and said, "Very good. You have all done very well. Now I can sell this and make a fortune. Thanks to that new matrix that connects all the computers from all over the world together using the phone line, I can sell these precious treasures and make a fortune. I may become richer than Magmanus in time." Magmanus said, "No you won't." The rat guy looks back and he sees Magmanus is in his lair. Magmanus said, "Don't think you will get away with this infamous crime of yours." The rat guy points to Magmanus and said, "Thugs! Give him your worst!" The thieves jump and Magmanus fights them off as if they are nothing. Magmanus walks towards the rat guy and he smacks the rat guy in the face and he drags him on the floor and beats the crap out of him.

Police crews are seen cleaning up the sewer lair and they are recovering mounds of stolen goods. One of the cleaning crew members said, "He seems to have tons of stolen merchandise that was reported stolen from various stores and homes in San Francisco. It

looks like Magmanus ended this long case we've been working on for years." The police chief goes up to Magmanus and he said, "Magmanus, we owe you a debt of gratitude."

Magmanus is on a stage outside the California capital building at the height of day next to a podium where the governor makes a speech. He said, "We the people of the great state of California always wish to honor our greatest citizens. Thanks to Magmanus' efforts, the crime rates of this state have drastically decreased and are much safer for citizens and tourists. I grant Magmanus the Governor's Medal of Valor. Magmanus is also now given a position as being the head of education for the state of California where he will help aid this failing education system. It is no secret that education in recent years has kind of slumped but now we have Magmanus to bring it back into full swing. He is currently teaching at the Gruzzard Academy in San Francisco and he was a professor before at various universities." Everyone claps for Magmanus and they honor him as if he were a hero.

Magmanus sits in his somewhat destroyed office while Keith and some of his right hand men are present. They view grainy security footage of the two figures breaking in and scanning documents. Magmanus said, "The quality is so bad and they are dressed in black. It is almost impossible to identify who they are." Keith watches the footage and he said, "I know who they are. They are Jason and Mason. They have been using technologies to cut down windows and doors for years." Magmanus said, "You really think?" Keith said, "Look at the footage of one of them scanning the files." Keith points that the perpetrator is using a scanner that says, "CF" on it. Magmanus said, "CF. I know that logo anywhere. That is the logo of Captain Fusion. But Captain Fusion is tall and thin and this guy is short. Perhaps they are working with Captain Fusion." Keith said, "Jason is a fan of Captain Fusion. He would babble about him all the time." Magmanus said, "Could they secretly be hanging out with Captain Fusion? We would have to spy on them and watch all their moves. It is a good thing I installed cameras all over the city. That is how I found and busted that rat guy that was living in the sewer. If they are working with Captain Fusion, I have something that could defuse their friendship with him."

Jason, Mason, and all the other kids at Gruzzard Academy are in their class taught by Magmanus. Magmanus writes on the chalkboard, "Captain Fusion." Magmanus said, "The new title that the governor gave me has allowed me to append Captain Fusion to the education system. You will all be taught the truth of Captain Fusion. We all know he is a criminal that stalks the streets of San Francisco but there is more to that. Let me show you." Magmanus reels in a CR TV with a VCR and they watch a movie about Captain Fusion. Magmanus said, "Watch this movie and you will be tested on its contents."

Captain Fusion is shown being given medals of honor in the 60's. A narrator said, "This is Captain Fusion. Some of you know him as San Francisco's greatest hero. Some of you would think of him as San Francisco's greatest villain but there is a dark side to him that nearly no one knows about. Captain Fusion has been known to be defiant against America's president." Footage is shown from 1965 of Captain Fusion in a conference with LBJ and other White House officials and Captain Fusion said, "This Vietnam War is nothing but an insult to what America is supposed to be. We are supposed to be a country based on liberty and freedoms. We are not supposed to force our fair fellow citizens into going into a pointless war that will do nothing but spill the blood of millions of people. This is an outrage and I refuse to let my technology and my intellect to be used for such a conflict."

Hippies are shown praising Captain Fusion and the narrator continues, “These anti American hippies give Captain Fusion their praise. These are the same hippies that protest and disrupt the peace that America stands for. Captain Fusion is also known for fighting against the forces of America.” Footage is shown of Captain Fusion getting into a fight with American soldiers forcing him into Vietnam. Captain Fusion fights them off and he smacks them into walls.” Narrator continues, “These service men protect and defend the values of America from the evils that were in Vietnam. If it weren’t for our actions there, the Vietnamese forces may have invaded America and infected it with the disease known as, communism. Captain Fusion has fought tooth and nail against the people that protect America from these deadly forces. Captain Fusion has been brought into court for his defiance but he had allies that manipulated the legal system to let him off free.” Captain Fusion is shown in an arena confronting Dr. Waxler in a robot mech. The narrator said, “Dr. Waxler is the brilliant scientist and geneticist that allowed Captain Fusion to become what he is. Despite that, Captain Fusion went against him and got Dr. Waxler and his sidekick, Dr. Piper blown up in the process.” Dr. Waxler and Dr. Piper are shown getting blown up because of Captain Fusion. The narrator said, “Most people think Captain Fusion’s story ends there but it doesn’t. Footage from a bank has shown that someone that looks just like Captain Fusion has aided bank robbers and allowed for them to get away. He has constantly evaded being captured by government forces that were after him for his crimes. This still continues on to this very day. Recent footage has captured Captain Fusion committing crimes in San Francisco in this very year of 1994.” The young looking Captain Fusion that was seen interrupting DDD News earlier is shown robbing banks and getting into fights with random people on the street and stealing their jewelry and personal belongings. He is also shown breaking into experimental technology testing facilities and stealing technology. The narrator said, “This new footage reveals that Captain Fusion has broken into military testing facilities and he stole experimental technology. The only reason why he would possibly want to do this is to obtain technology he would need to devastate the world. It is only a matter of time before everything we know and care about ends because of Captain Fusion.”

Magmanus turns on the lights and he hands out papers to all the students. Jason and Mason look at their papers and they contain simple multiple choice questions and the obvious answers to every question is that Captain Fusion is nothing but a criminal. Magmanus said, “All of you will also be writing essays on Captain Fusion and why he must be stopped, by me. You have a week to do all this.”

Jason and Mason are at Captain Fusion’s lair and Captain Fusion said, “He is trying to brainwash all of you kids. He must know that kids have malleable minds that are easy to manipulate. You Jason and Mason are special. You know he is just trying to get you to take his side rather than mine.” Jason said, “What do we do about these essays? I suck at essays and it would be harder to write something that Magmanus would not find suspicious.” Captain Fusion said, “Well, we obviously know that Magmanus is just like any other villain. They tell nothing but lies to get people to think it is the truth. Maybe you can do the same thing. You can fight fire with fire. I will even help you write these essays. I bet I would be a better help than your parents ever would be.”

Jason and Mason leave Captain Fusion’s lair and a car is stopped on a street somewhat far away but is using a camera with a far optical zoom to film Jason and Mason leaving the lair. Keith is working the controls for the camera and he said, “They seem to have went into a box in a tree.” Other cameras around the city are watching Jason and Mason and

Magmanus is reviewing all the feeds and writing down what he sees. They film Mason frequenting technology stores and Jason going to the local arcade to play on his favorite arcade cabinets.

Chapter 8

Jason and Mason are working on the building again with all the other kids. Magmanus brings Jason aside and he said, “Mr. Jason. I was told that you are a fan of arcade games.” Jason said, “I love those things.” Magmanus said, “I think you would be the perfect candidate to test my newest inventions.” Magmanus brings Jason to a section filled with arcade cabinets that have beat em up games where you play as Magmanus. Magmanus said, “I want you to play through each and every one of these games and tell me what you think of them.” Jason said, “Ok.” Jason goes to the first game, and it has a story where Captain Fusion is poisoning the world and Magmanus is left having to defeat Captain Fusion. Jason plays the game and he winces that he must fight against Captain Fusion. Jason goes to the next game and it is a gun game where you must shoot at targets that are of Captain Fusion. Jason goes to the next game and it is a driving game where you drive the Magmanus Mobile and you shoot at other smaller enemy cars on the road, and they look like Fusion Mobiles. Magmanus comes in and he said, “Ah, Jason. What do you think of these latest games?” Jason said, “These games are pretty good but they seem to have a strong emphasis against Captain Fusion. Maybe they would be better if you were given some other enemies to fight against.” Magmanus said, “I will take that into account.”

Jason and Mason walk down the streets of San Francisco and they see Magmanus toys at all the stores and products with Magmanus slapped on them. Jason said, “Everyone is really taking all the Magmanus stuff very seriously.” Mason said, “It looks like another one of those fads that people like to fall for.” Jason and Mason go to the arcade and they see all the games there were replaced with the pro Magmanus and anti Captain Fusion cabinets. Jason said, “Those are the games that I tested. They got rid of all my favorites and had them replaced with these propaganda machines. Magmanus crossed the line.”

Jason and Mason are at Captain Fusion’s lair. Jason has a box of collectibles and he shows them to Captain Fusion. Jason said, “These are some things I wanted you to sign. A lot of my Captain Fusion stuff is in there.” Captain Fusion finds a small statue of his younger self standing on a round board. He rummages through the contents of Jason’s box and he finds an access card to the city archives. Captain Fusion said, “This is a free pass to the city archives. How did you get this?” Jason said, “The mayor of San Francisco gave us those two years ago when he thwarted Dr. Gruzzard’s plot. We got tons of other crap too if you are interested in that.” Captain Fusion said, “Some documents on the truth of my encounter with Dr. Waxler in 1971 are stored in there. There would be supporting records in there that would render me a free man again. I have been wanting to go to that archive for years but I never found a way to successfully access those records. Very few people have access to it and I am pretty sure some of my villains are paying them to never reveal them to anyone. If you have a full access pass, you could enter those archives and find the truth. We just have to give these to the proper authorities and I would be cleared. Then I can fight Magmanus and prove to America that I have been innocent all along.” Mason thinks about it and he said, “I

guess that sounds like a plan." Captain Fusion said, "I obviously cannot go to those archives because I would get spotted. You would get the royal treatment if you went there." Jason said, "Looks like we are paying a visit to those archives." Captain Fusion said, "While you do that, I am going to go and pay a visit to Magmanus' power plant. I have analyzed a weakness from the schematics you two gave me. I think I know how to leave this thing crumbling down. It also looks like Magmanus' building project might be finished soon and who knows what he will do once that is completed. If I can destroy his power plant, he will not have any power for his ultimate battle station."

Chapter 9

Jason and Mason arrive at the archives in San Francisco. They show their passes and they are granted access. There are shelves filled with books and film reels. Jason looks at them and he said, "Whoa. Where do we start?" Mason looks through the sections and he said, "These records are alphabetized, and they will be in the section pertaining to probably crime and history of manhunts and searches in the city and in America."

Captain Fusion speeds in the Fusion Mobile in the later part of the day and he uses the machine guns on the front of it to blast down a large garage door from the middle from left to right and the bottom half falls down and the Fusion Mobile speeds in. Captain Fusion jumps out of the Fusion Mobile and he enters the main power plant.

The power plant is filled with green robotic humanoid lizards that extend their claws at Captain Fusion. He smacks one in the head and grabs onto one and throws it into another one. He repeatedly punches another one and it breaks and is left crumbled. He jumps and navigates through intricate platforms and catwalks and he sees a swarm of ankle high cleaning droids that wheel on the floor and they dart for him. Captain Fusion kicks one of them over and it explodes and he pounds down the other ones by leaping and targeting them leaving them as nothing but piles of sharp scrap metals. Captain Fusion is bombarded by these troops on jetpacks that look like large spheres on their upper backs and they are armed with futuristic and high tech particle snipers. They fire beams at Captain Fusion. Captain Fusion grabs a dead cleaning droid that is still mostly in one piece and he throws it into the troop and he spirals out of control. Captain Fusion jumps and pries the weapon out of the downed troop and he blasts the other one that is still orbiting him and attempting to blast him.

Captain Fusion finds the section where the mainframe is. He enters it and it is a convert belt that leads to a giant computer brain that is armed with turrets and laser shields.

Jason and Mason are looking through the archives and Mason said, "I think I found something." Jason goes to Mason and he pulls out a film reel. Mason looks at the documentation and Mason said, "This looks like it pertains to the crimes of Captain Fusion. There are some articles here too about his Vietnam resistance. It also looks like there are documents here that were written by Dr. Waxler. I think we may have something to work with." They hear Magmanus' voice say, "Looking for some information for your essay?" Jason said, "We are just here to look at archives since we can do all the archive viewing that we want." Magmanus said, "I own this archive now. I own all of its contents. Ever since I

was made as a head of education for this state, I now control the archives too. What are you looking at?" Jason said, "This doesn't concern you." Magmanus said, "Anything here concerns me. Now what is it? If you don't tell me, I am going to give you failing grades and I will make sure the entire world knows you for the delinquents that you two boys are. You would never have a future. You would be hated by the world. You would become just like your friend. Your secret is not safe. Everyone knows you are friends with him. Now you will give me that." Mason yells, "Run!" Jason and Mason run out of the archive. Magmanus tries to run after them and he points to them and he yells, thieves! They are stealing contents from the archive." The sentries are called in and they are high tech guards in buff pointy and shiny armor. They start running for Jason and Mason and they use particle guns to blast at them. Jason and Mason frantically run down the street trying to evade the blasts. They run down the busy streets where they ignore other cars and they almost get hit as they plow through people and sometimes crash into things. Jason and Mason make a sharp turn down an alley and they constantly cut corners and they run up a fire escape and they find an open window and they run in it. The sentries look around outside and one of them said, "Did you find the twins?" The other one said, "They must be out here somewhere. We will keep looking."

Captain Fusion jumps through the blasts and he uses his harpoon gun to zip to the main frame. He gets close to its shield and he said, "The weakness must be around here… here it is." Captain Fusion spots the weakness in a black box that is obscured next to one of the laser cannons. He fires a harpoon gun at it and it breaks and the shield for the main frame is deactivated. Captain Fusion punches the mainframe and his fist flies through the outer layer and into the insides. Captain Fusion rips its circuitry apart and the mainframe powers down and everything in the power plant powers down. Captain Fusion said, "He will have a tough time doing this without any power." A TV in the mainframe turns on and Magmanus is on the screen. Magmanus said, "Why, why isn't it Captain Fusion. I knew you would find this place. The joke is on you because this place is completely fake. My new building is ready for action and all you are doing is wasting your time. You might find a nice surprise when you get back to your lair."

Jason and Mason look outside the window and Jason said, "I don't see anymore sentries." Mason said, "It has been hours now." Jason said, "Surely they must have given up by now." Jason and Mason leave the small enclosure and they go back to Mason's lab. It is night time now and they enter the lab and they look at what they stole. Jason said, "Could this stuff really restore Captain Fusion's reputation?" Mason said, "It better." They hear a knock on the door to the lab. Mason looks at the camera feed from the front and he sees a young Captain Fusion on the screen standing outside of the lab knocking on the door. Captain Fusion said, "Open up Jason and Mason. I destroyed Magmanus' plot. He is nothing now." Jason said, "How did Captain Fusion become young again? Wait… wasn't the one we saw on TV the young one?" Captain Fusion breaks down the door and he said, "Well, we won. There is nothing more Magmanus can do against us." Mason eyes the young Captain Fusion and he said, "You are not him. You cannot have aged backwards like that." Captain Fusion said, "Magmanus blasted me with something that decreased my age by a few decades. Let me take this and…" Mason said, "No you don't." Mason activates his robot mech and he starts blasting at the fake Captain Fusion. He jumps and he punches down on Mason's mech and it cracks in two and it is left split down the middle. Captain Fusion said, "You forget, I have a genetically augmented body structure." Jason and Mason attempt to dart away and Captain Fusion grabs both of them before they get far. Captain Fusion said, "You are coming with me, kids." Captain Fusion walks outside and there are platoons of

sentries out there and he says to them, destroy the lab. Take the archives. We will send a message to anyone that messes with us."

Chapter 10

The real Captain Fusion drives back to his lair at night and he sees it is on the ground in front of the tree that it is usually attached to. It is also broken in several pieces. Captain Fusion said, "No. Arthur." He jumps out of the Fusion Mobile and he presses a button in the small door frame to his lair and it causes him to shrink to a small size. He navigates around the horribly mangled remains of his lair where everything including his TV and computer are in ruins. Captain Fusion digs through some debris and he finds Arthur under the debris with a thin streak of blood running down the side of his face. Arthur said, "Fusion. They came while you were gone. They were after…" Captain Fusion said, "What did they want?" Arthur said, "They wanted, Jason and Mason. They…" Captain Fusion said, "I will get you to a hospital." Captain Fusion returns to normal size and he does the same for Arthur. He calls 911 and he leaves Arthur on the street where an ambulance will easily find him. Captain Fusion heads for Jason and Mason's lab and he finds that their house and lab are also destroyed and horribly mangled. Captain Fusion said, "What kind of insane sicko would do such a thing like this? They are only kids."

Captain Fusion goes to his Fusion Mobile and he turns on the TV in it and DDD News comes on the screen. Magmanus is on the screen with George Ferrier. George Ferrier said, "DDD News is here with a special news bulletin. It seems this mysterious Captain Fusion that hijacked this station has been spotted in a residential neighborhood of San Francisco. Footage here given to us from an unknown source is revealing that he has destroyed a house with a lab in the backyard. He appears to have abducted two kids from the lab. These kids were later identified as being the highly accredited, Jason and Mason." The screen shows Jason and Mason's house and lab being devastated and them being captured. George continues, "I am here with Magmanus as he has a statement to make." Magmanus said, "We all kind of thought of this Captain Fusion as being somewhat of a joke at first but now he is a true threat to the city of San Francisco and possibly America and the world. The last thing we want if for him to devastate my new building or some government office or maybe even one of the homes of our fellow viewers. I have a challenge for him. I want him to meet me tomorrow at high noon in the middle of the busiest street in the city. We will settle this score." George said, "Looks like Magmanus has an anti Captain Fusion plan. We will see where this goes. DDD News will provide coverage of this event. Stay tuned for that."

The real Captain Fusion watches this on his TV in the Fusion Mobile and he said, "He staged a fight with this Captain Fusion. Magmanus will be live in battle on DDD News. His party is going to be crashed."

Chapter 11

People crowd around on a major street in San Francisco at noon and Magmanus stands in the center of the road. George Ferrier is on the sidelines and he said, “George Ferrier here for DDD News. We are here with Magmanus where he expects a visit from Captain Fusion. Will he show up? Now that is something we are going to find out.” Magmanus said, “Come out you coward.” The fake Captain Fusion walks out from around a corner of a building. Magmanus said, “Look who showed up. We are going to settle this.” Magmanus jumps at Captain Fusion and he pounds his head into the ground. Captain Fusion smacks Magmanus in the head and he grabs onto it and he flips him over leaving a large crack in the road. Captain Fusion kicks Magmanus in the head and he sandwiches his head with his feet. Magmanus continues beating down Captain Fusion. George said, “It looks like Captain Fusion had a strong grip on Magmanus but now he is fighting back.” Magmanus grabs onto fake Captain Fusion and he throws him into a building. Fake Captain Fusion gets out of the building and he breaks a metal pole off a fire escape and he approaches Magmanus. Captain Fusion goes ninja on Magmanus and he scuffs him up and elbows his head. Magmanus takes out an electrically charged shock stick and he uses it to connect to the metal pole and it sends currants of electricity through fake Captain Fusion. He manages to resist and he slowly grabs the shock stick and he breaks it out of Magmanus’ hand and he jabs it into Magmanus. Magmanus looks like he is about to explode. He slowly reaches for a button on his belt but the fake Captain Fusion is attacked by the real Captain Fusion. The two Captain Fusions start battling each other while everyone watches as their mouths drop open. George said, “What is this? Another Captain Fusion? Is this some guy that is trying to get in on this action? Let’s see if the insane asylums in this city have reported any of their patients missing.”

The real Captain Fusion gives a sharp eye to the fake Captain Fusion. Fake Fusion said, “You’re going down old man.” Real Fusion said, “You can say the same about yourself, punker.” Real Fusion uppercuts Fake Fusion and he smashes his head into the side of a car and he gives it a great smack and he is left incapacitated. Captain Fusion walks away and the Fake Fusion gets back up and jumps on Real Fusion. Real Fusion smacks him off and the Fake one is locked on Real Fusion. Fake Fusion smacks down Real Fusion and pounds his head into the road. Real Fusion whistles and the Fusion Mobile unexpectedly zooms in and it hits Fake Fusion. Real Fusion jumps in the car and he activates the machine guns on the car and he uses them to gun down Fake Fusion. Captain Fusion speeds off.

People walk in the middle of the street and they look at the dead body of Fake Fusion. Someone says, “Who was that?” George said, “That’s a good question. Who was that?”

Chapter 13

Captain Fusion climbs the side of the hospital and he jumps into a room that has Arthur lying in bed with an IV injected into him and he sits next to a machine that measures his heart and blood pressure. Captain Fusion said, “Arthur. It is me.” Arthur said, “Captain Fusion. How is it with you?” Captain Fusion said, “I could have been better. Magmanus was using a clone of me to make me look like a criminal. He staged a fight and I got involved with it. DDD News was there. It will only be a matter of time before they realize the truth. Jason and Mason are still missing.” Arthur said, “Eh. This is just history repeating. History has always repeated itself with you. First it was the time you went against Dr. Waxler when all odds were against you. You took a death defying risk way back then and you came out successful.” Captain Fusion said, “I got labeled as a criminal for that.” Arthur said, “You did but we all know it wasn’t true. Newspapers and TV like to report what their readers and viewers want to know. It rarely ever is the truth. You did go against Clock King when he wanted to destroy the White House. You were successful then. True heroes don’t care about what people think of them. They do what they can because it is the right thing to do. Those twins need you. The city, the country, and possibly the world needs you right now. You were destined to be Captain Fusion. You stand for justice and prosperity for our world. Magmanus is not letting us prosper. He is making us brain dead fools.”

The Fake Captain Fusion’s body is brought to a genetics testing lab where the body is examined. One of the geneticists looks at the genetic structure of the body and compares it to the genetic structure of Captain Fusion. The geneticist said, “This is indeed Captain Fusion. His genes appear to be fifty-eight years old. He doesn’t look fifty-eight. His body says he is twenty-six.” Another genetics worker further examines the body and she said, “It looks as if he was tampered with. There is a device embedded in him.” The worker uses a tool to remove the device in Fake Fusion’s body and it is revealed to be a control device and it has Magmanus’ logo on it. The geneticist said, “I knew it. This is not the real Captain Fusion. This thing must be a clone. He sure had us fooled. I wonder if that other one that showed up was also a clone.”

Magmanus is in his office looking over the contents that Jason and Mason attempted to steal from the archive. One of his right hand men comes to the door and he said, “Magmanus, some police are here to see you.” The police come in and the lead cop said, “Mr. Magmanus. We did some investigations of that Captain Fusion that died recently. Genetic forensic researchers have examined that body and they confirmed that he is a clone.” Magmanus said, “Does that mean the real Captain Fusion is still at large? We can devise a plan to defeat him and bring him to justice.” The lead cop continues, “It is not him that we came here to bring justice too. We found this in his body.” The lead cop shows Magmanus the mind control device with his logo on it. The cop continues, “Our forensics indicated that the only way this could have possibly been planted in his body is to have had his body genetically created to have this in it.” Magmanus said, “I don’t know what to say. Captain

Fusion did steal some government technology so…" The cop continues, "This is not government technology. It matches yours. Some of your students have reported that cloning devices do exist in your new facilities. We are doing a search of them. This is the warrant that we have."

DDD News appears on a screen and George Ferrier said, "In an unexpected turn of events, the great innovator, Magmanus has an arrest warrant. Investigators and detectives have found that he created that Captain Fusion clone that was committing all those crimes and technologies used for crimes were found in Gruzzard Academy. He is now a wanted criminal. He is also wanted for the kidnapping of Jason and Mason. They have still not been found but there are searches in place for them."

Magmanus is in his building in a command center where Jason and Mason are locked in a cage and Magmanus has the archives. Magmanus uses signal overriding technology and he overrides DDD News. The screens showing DDD News fade into static and Magmanus appears on them. Magmanus said, "I gave you a great deal of technology to further advance society and civilization. All you gave me in return was rejection. You are all going to regret wanting to arrest me after you see what I am capable of. I am essentially a god. I am better than a god since I actually exist in the material world." Magmanus points to a large energy dynamo behind him that appears to be building up energy. Magmanus said, "This is the real reason I built all this technology. With combined technology from the US government, the mob, and Dr. Gruzzard, I now have the ultimate battle station. This techno bomb weapon is going to obliterate San Francisco and any other city in the world that refuses me. You will all perish and you will all suffer the consequences of rejecting the greatest man in the world. Also, don't try to escape. The entire western half of the country is being locked on right now. You are all going to get fried."

Magmanus activates the flight propulsion engines in his building and it is launched like a rocket into the sky. News channels all over the world are airing the footage of the building flying. Air Force jets engage the flying building and they are gunned down by accurate plasma blasters on the sides of the building. Some of them shoot at the building and their shots deflect off the side of it and the shots do nothing.

Bill Clinton is in the president's office with some secret service agents and they are watching the new flying building. Bill Clinton said, "What else do we have on this, Magmanus?" One of the agents said, "He appears to be superior to us in every way possible." Bill Clinton said, "Surely someone must know something about him. He must have a weakness of some kind. Issue a national emergency."

TVs all over the country display the Emergency Broadcast System and they have a message that reads, "A message from the president." Bill Clinton appears on the screens and he said, "My fellow Americans. Our country and the world are in a crisis. A terrorist known as Magmanus has a weapon that he claims is going to be used to destroy America and anyone that will get in his way. Our country does not appear to have any resources to counter this threat. It appears as if all we can do is stay in our homes and pray for a miracle."

People board their homes and they raid grocery stores and they stock up on food and shotguns and they protect their homes. People all over the world are living in fear and are staying locked up.

Chapter 14

Captain Fusion is watching the president's message on the TV in the Fusion Mobile and he is looking at the large building in the sky that is glowing as it is charging up the techno bomb to be dropped. Captain Fusion said, "Good thing I don't keep the Fusion Wing in my lair." Captain Fusion goes to a hidden garage in the ground that opens from him tapping on a tree in the park. The Fusion Wing is revealed. Captain Fusion gets in the Fusion Wing and he flies into the sky. Arthur watches the Fusion Wing ascend to take on Magmanus' battle building and Arthur said, "Go get him, Fusion."

Captain Fusion engages the building and a barrage of plasma shots are fired at him. Captain Fusion dodges the shots with the Fusion Wing and he begins blasting the building and his shots do nothing. Captain Fusion orbits the building and more shots and homing missiles are fired at him. The missile hits the back of the Fusion Wing and alerts for systems failures appear all over the computer screens in the Fusion Wing. Captain Fusion sends the Fusion Wing crashing into one of the windows on the building and he is safe inside. Captain Fusion jumps out of the Fusion Wing and more android battle soldiers start firing at him. Captain Fusion smacks down the androids and he destroys them.

A large juggernaut with claws jumps at Captain Fusion. He wrestles with him and slashes at Captain Fusion's arms. Captain Fusion uppercuts him and sends his head into a computer terminal machine where sparks fly everywhere.

Captain Fusion treks through the building and he comes across a large factory room and Keith is there in a mech. Keith said, "The legendary Captain Fusion has finally come." Captain Fusion said, "You don't realize what Magmanus is capable of. He is cunning and he is manipulative. He is using you do help achieve his goal." Keith said, "Of course he is. He is achieving something my father almost got and he would have control over most of the world if it weren't for Jason and Mason. His technology is how this exists. I also have orders to stop you from foiling this plot." Keith uses his mech to fire missile blasts at Captain Fusion. Captain Fusion dodges the blasts. Captain Fusion picks up Keith's mech and throws him into the factory section where convert belts and assembly lines are destroyed. A metallurgy machine is broken and liquid metal starts flowing out of it. Captain Fusion kicks Keith's mech into the liquid metal and it coats his mech. Captain Fusion runs away and Keith runs for him and his mech gets frozen in metal and he drops in place and is stuck. Captain Fusion said, "You are much smarter than Magmanus. In time, you will find there are better ways to utilize your skills."

Captain Fusion is in the control room where Jason and Mason are in a cage and Magmanus stands in front of his controls and where the techno bomb is that will destroy half of the country. Captain Fusion said, "This ends here. Your plan has failed." Magmanus said,

“I don’t think it has. There is a lot you don’t know about me. I know everything about you.” Captain Fusion said, “A lot of people know what there is to know about me.” Magmanus said, “I knew you since you were a kid. I watched you. I was fascinated by what you were not capable of. That is why I wanted you for my invention. You proved my inventions worked.” Captain Fusion raises an eyebrow to him and said, “How do you know all this?” Magmanus reaches for the neck of his helmet and he removes it revealing he is Dr. Waxler underneath. Dr. Waxler said, “Remember me?” Captain Fusion gets a series of painful flashbacks of Dr. Waxler doing cruel experiments and using his technology to create villains for Captain Fusion and him murdering Dr. Piper and having the public turn against Captain Fusion. Captain Fusion said, “How is this possible? You are dead. Everyone knows what happened.” Dr. Waxler said, “What you don’t know is that I had my DNA on file, and automated machinery. I also had cloning technology, and quantum tech that can transfer my mind on-demand. My technology was not perfect so this clone body I have is enhanced with cybernetics. I am not much different from you. That augment serum I gave you all those years ago was my magnum opus. It is the greatest thing I ever invented and you are living proof of how great it was. Only you just went off with it and never gave me any recognition nor credit for it. While you were living through a gold age, I was living through a dark age. I could have made a fortune off it but you ran off and stole my fortune.” Captain Fusion said, “We could have made a deal. I could have given you a cut of my fortune. I just never found you for years after that and when I did find you, you were supporting the draft for Vietnam and you were manufacturing villains that terrorized San Francisco. I don’t think my fortune deserves to be shared with your kind.” Dr. Waxler said, “I don’t want your fortune anymore. Thanks to what Mason built for me, I now have a flawless cloning machine. I still have your DNA on archive from way back when. I can make a better army of you now. I also have technology from Dr. Gruzzard, the mob, and the US government. All you are is a threat to my operation. You are going down.”

Captain Fusion and Dr. Waxler jump and they clash with each other. They begin battling and Dr. Waxler gets some blows on Captain Fusion. Dr. Waxler jumps and elbows Captain Fusion leaving him plummeted on the floor. Dr. Waxler said, “You’re weak and pathetic. You aged poorly.” Captain Fusion gets up and he dodges Dr. Waxler’s attacks. The techno bomb is glowing as it charges. It has a timer on it indicating that it is going to be dropped and will produce a blast at half of America in two minutes. Captain Fusion bashes Dr. Waxler’s head and he gets a lock on it. Captain Fusion said, “If you deactivate this techno bomb now, we will show leniency towards you.” Dr. Waxler said, “America is full of ungrateful jerks. Something tells me I won’t get any leniency if I don’t deactivate it.” Captain Fusion throws Dr. Waxler into the weapon. Dr. Waxler stands in front of the weapon and he said, “You lost Captain Fusion. This weapon is slated to deploy its attack.” Captain Fusion sees the chain that Jason and Mason’s cage is hanging on. Captain Fusion grabs the chain and rips it out of the ceiling and he uses the cage to smack Dr. Waxler across the room. He throws the cage at Dr. Waxler and it breaks freeing Jason and Mason. Jason and Mason attempt to wrestle with Dr. Waxler. Captain Fusion uses his augmented strength to rip the outer shell off the techno bomb revealing the glowing bright blue core on the inside. Dr. Waxler said, “That core vaporizes anything it touches and it will be sent down to America. I might as well give it some things first.” Dr. Waxler lifts Jason and Mason and he is about to throw them into the core. Captain Fusion kicks Dr. Waxler in the face and drops Jason and Mason. He continues to fight against him.

Dr. Waxler engages with Captain Fusion and they keep orbiting each other. Jason crouches on the floor and Dr. Waxler trips on Jason and falls over. Captain Fusion grabs Dr. Waxler and he throws him into the core of the weapon. Dr. Waxler's body is vaporized and the core begins to overload. Captain Fusion, Jason and Mason go to the controls and they attempt to deactivate the weapon. They frantically press buttons but nothing happens and it is getting ready to be released. People in the streets are getting ready to accept their fates. Captain Fusion finds an emergency abort button and he presses it and the weapon is ejected from the building and it is sent into the sky. The weapon loses its charge and it is sent high into the atmosphere where it explodes and a blue wave is formed in the sky.

Captain Fusion controls the building and has it descend back to San Francisco.

Chapter 15

DDD News is filming the destruction in the sky and the building coming back down to the ground. George said, "It looks like we are saved. Let's see who our hero is." People crowd around the building and the front door opens and Captain Fusion walks out with Jason and Mason. George has his cameras film Jason and Mason and he said, "Jason and Mason. It seems that you two thwarted another plot from some mastermind to rule the world. What do you have to say." Mason said, "We didn't do much." Jason said, "We were captured and almost killed by Magmanus. Captain Fusion came and saved us. He's right there." Jason points to Captain Fusion and he is surrounded by DDD News crews. Captain Fusion said, "Magmanus was Dr. Waxler. He has painted a picture of me being a villain for decades. There is proof in some records he attempted to steal from the city archives." George said, "There you go. Captain Fusion is our hero. We can now live and breathe safely knowing that Magmanus is dead and we have Captain Fusion to thank for it." Jason and Mason get close to Captain Fusion and they hug his lower half (since Jason and Mason are much shorter than the overly tall Captain Fusion) and a photo is shot of the scene. An old balding guy (the same one that made cameos in the last two movies) with a white mustache and big glasses with a wrinkly face that is covered with liver spots goes up to Captain Fusion with Jason and Mason. He said, "If you have the spirit to take a stand against those that commit evil regardless of who they are, that is what it takes to truly be a superhero." Captain Fusion said, "I think I've seen you before. You seem to show up at random moments usually during a moment of triumph. Who are you?" The old guy said, "Let's just say, I'm that guy that shows up for random cameos in superhero stories. Nuff said."

Captain Fusion is with Jason and Mason and he is on a stage in Washington D.C. where Bill Clinton is at a podium making a speech. Bill Clinton said, "As Americans, we are inclined to honor our greatest heroes. They are the ones that serve and protect our country from the most vilest threats imaginable. Our country and possibly the world was almost destroyed but it was all saved. We have the great venerable Captain Fusion with us. We have found some archives that were previously hidden from us and they revealed that Captain Fusion indeed has never committed any of the crimes Dr. Waxler claims he has committed. Some archival footage and documents also revealed that Captain Fusion indeed was the one that saved the White House seven years ago from another villain that threatened

to destroy America. Captain Fusion has dedicated himself to protecting American values while everyone else was against him. He deserves the highest medal of honor our country can give to someone." Bill Clinton places a medal of honor on Captain Fusion. Photos are shot and the photo of Bill Clinton honoring Captain Fusion is encased in glass in a museum.

Captain Fusion gets a new upgraded lair that is now on a different tree in the park in a smaller box. Arthur recovered from his injuries and still works for Captain Fusion. Mason's lab was also restored. A montage is shown of Captain Fusion continuing to be friends with Jason and Mason in a friendship that lasts for several years to come. They go on adventures with each other and they help Captain Fusion battle all kinds of villains throughout the 90's and 2000's. They obtain photos filled with their greatest moments and in the middle of it all is the photo that was shot of them hugging Captain Fusion's lower body after their triumphant defeat against Magmanus in 1994.